

CLAIMS:

1. (original) A container for heating material within it and for dispensing said material once heated, the container comprising:

- (a) a first compartment for location of the material, and
- (b) a second compartment for receiving a hot liquid, the second compartment being isolated from the first compartment such that liquid in the second compartment and material in the first compartment cannot mix; the second compartment being in thermal communication with the first compartment;

wherein the second compartment has an inlet for the introduction of the hot liquid, the inlet having a removable closure; and

wherein the first compartment has a restricted outlet in the form of an applicator for prolonged dispensing of heated liquid material in the container, the applicator being adapted to apply a film of the material to a surface, the outlet having a removable closure.

2. (original) A container as claimed in claim 1, wherein the first and second compartments are separated by a dividing wall.

3. (cancelled)

4. (currently amended) A container according to claim 2, wherein the dividing wall is in the form of a body which extends longitudinally into the container from the outer wall thereof, the interior of the body defining one of the first and second compartments, and the space between the outer surface of the body and the inner surface of the container defining the other compartment.

5-6. (cancelled)

7. (currently amended) A container according to ~~any preceding claim~~ claims 1 or 4 wherein the applicator comprises a narrow elongate slot through which the heated liquid material can be expressed.

8. (currently amended) A container according to ~~any of~~ claims 1 or 6 4, wherein the applicator comprises a roller or roller ball.

9. (currently amended) A container according to ~~any preceding~~ claim 1, wherein a layer of thermal insulation surrounds or is provided ~~at~~ in the outer wall of the container.

10. (currently amended) A container according to ~~any preceding~~ claim 1, ~~comprising~~ which additionally comprises, heat indication means to indicate when the temperature of the material in the first compartment has reached a desired temperature.

11. (original) A container for heating material within it and for dispensing said material once heated, the container comprising:

- (a) a first compartment containing the material, the material at ambient temperature being a solid or a liquid and at an elevated temperature being a liquid or a vapour (in the case of a solid at ambient temperature) or a less viscous liquid or a vapour (in the case of a liquid at ambient temperature);
- (b) a second compartment for receiving a hot liquid, the second compartment being isolated from the first compartment such that the hot liquid and the material cannot mix, the second compartment being in thermal communication with the first compartment;

wherein the second compartment has an inlet for the introduction of the hot liquid, the inlet having a removable closure; and

wherein the first compartment has a restricted outlet adapted for prolonged dispensing of the heated material within it, said outlet having a removable closure.

12. (original) A container according to claim 11 wherein the first compartment contains epilatory wax.

13. (currently amended) A method of dispensing heated material from a container as claimed in claims 11 or 12, comprising the steps of: introducing hot water into the second compartment; ~~and~~ closing the inlet thereof using ~~the~~ its closure; and permitting or causing the heated material within the first compartment to be dispensed through the restricted outlet.

14. (cancelled).